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C O N F I D E N T I A L DAR ES SALAAM 0185

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SUBJECT: TANGOV QUESTIONS IRAN'S SOMALIA POLICY

REF: A) DAR ES SALAAM 105 (NOTAL), B) TEHRAN 0413 (NOTAL),
C) TEHRAN 0190 (NOTAL), D) TEHRAN 0366 (NOTAL)

1. AT REQUEST OF FORNMINISTER MKAPA WHO IS OUT TOWN, CHARGE
MET 17 JANUARY WITH JUNIOR FORNMINISTER FOU M RE MKAPA'S 10
JANUARY REQUEST FOR CLARIFICATION OF SHAH'S REMARK ABOUT IRAN
COMING TO SOMALIA'S SUPPORT IF ITS TERRITORY VIOLATED BY ETHIOPIA
(REF A). CHARGE HANDED FOU M TEXT OF SHAH'S 1 JANUARY STATEMENT
AS REPORTED REF C PARA 3 AND OF FORNMINISTER KHALATBARY'S STATE-
MENT REPORTED REF D. DRAWING ON REF B, CHARGE TOLD FOU M WE
UNDERSTOOD THRUST OF SHAH'S POLICY IS TO GET ETHIOPIA AND SOMALIA
TO NEGOTIATE DISPUTE AND PURPOSE OF HIS REMARKS SEEMED TO BE TO
ENCOURAGE ETHIOPIANS TO TALK BY INJECTING ADDITIONAL ELEMENT OF
UNCERTAINTY INTO OPTION OF FIGHTING. CHARGE OBSERVED THAT SHAH
SPOKE OF IRANIAN SUPPORT FOR SOMALIA ONLY IF LATTER'S TERRITORIAL
INTEGRITY ENDANGERED AND THAT TERRITORY DEFINED IN TERMS OF
"INTERNATINNALLY RECOGNIZED BOUNDARIES OF SOMALIA".

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2. FOU M EXPRESSED APPRECIATION FOR CLARIFICATION. HE SAID
TANGOV "WORRIED" ABOUT IRANIAN AND (ACCORDING TO RECENT VOA
BROADCASTS) SAUDI STATEMENTS ABOUT HORN. WHILE TANGOV SHARES
WITH IRAN AND SAUDI ARABIA RESPECT FOR SOMALIA TERRITORIAL
INTEGRITY, IT WOULD FEEL MORE COMFORTABLE ABOUT IRANIAN AND SAUDI
INTENTIONS IF THEY ALSO EXPRESSED CONERN FOR TERRITORIAL INTEGRITY

OF ETHIOPIA. HE ASKED IF WE COULD PROVIDE TANGOV WITH ANY IRANIAN AND SAUDI POLICY STATEMENTS ON TERRITORIAL INTEGRITY OF ETHIOPIA, BOTH FROM POINT OF VIEW OF SOMALIA ATTACK AND THEIR OWN SUPPORT OF SOMALIA IRREDENTISM IN OGADEN.

3. FOUM EXPRESSED PARTICULAR WORRY THAT ETHIOPIAN OFFENSIVE DESIGNED TO STOP AT BORDERS MIGHT NONETHELESS PRODUCE ACCIDENT OR INCIDENT SUBJECT TO MISINTERPRETATION THAT COUNTRIES LIKE IRAN AND SAUDI ARABIA COULD USE TO JOIN FRAY AGAINST ETHIOPIA. HE EMPHASIZED HE MEANT TRUE ACCIDENT RATHER THAN DETERMINED ETHIOPIAN INCURSION ACROSS BORDER EVEN IF IT ONLY IN SUPPORT OF LIMITED OBJECTIVE OF REGAINING ETHIOPIAN TERRITORY. TANGOV, FOUM SAID, WOULD BE AGAINST SUCH AN ETHIOPIAN MOVE.

4. WHEN ASKED WHAT THERE WAS TO NEGOTIATE GIVEN PUBLIC POSITIONS OF TWO SIDES, FOUM SAID THAT ON BASIS OF HIS PARTICIPATION IN DISCUSSIONS ON HORN AT LIBREVILLE OAU MEETING, HE THOUGHT ETHIOPIANS WOULD BE READY TO DISCUSS "SOME BORDER RECTIFICATIONS" ONCE STATUS QUO ANTE REESTABLISHED AS WELL AS FUTURE AREAS FOR CLOSER ASSOCIATION WITH SOMALIA.

5. ACTION REQUESTED - EMBASSY WOULD APPRECIATE ANY INFORMATION ADDRESSES CAN SUPPLY RE FOUM'S REQUEST FOR IRANIAN AND SAUDI EXPRESSIONS OF EVENHANDEDNESS ABOUT PRINCIPLE OF TERRITORIAL INTEGRITY IN HORN.

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